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Appointment of Civil Assistant Surgeons.

* 37 Q.—SRI R. SURYANARAYANA RAO: Will the Hon. the Minister for Health be pleased to state with reference to the answer to question No. 109 given on 20th January 1950—

(a) whether, in view of the fact that out of 86 dereserved vacancies, as many as 74 posts were reserved for candidates possessing post-graduate qualifications, a large number of temporary Civil Assistant Surgeons, Class I, working in the districts, where no facilities for obtaining such qualifications are available, failed to secure selection for vacancies dereserved;

(b) whether it is a fact that many of these temporary Civil Assistant Surgeons have long been in service and their work has been in most cases uniformly good;

(c) whether the Government have any proposals to absorb them;

(d) whether the Government propose to grant them the privilege of counting their continuous temporary service for purposes of pension, leave, etc, to which permanent servants of Government are entitled; and

(e) whether there is any proposal to reserve by rules a certain proportion of vacancies to persons with post-graduate qualifications instead of departing from normal recruitment rules as was done in the recent recruitment?

THE HON. DR. T. S. S. RAJAN :—" (a) Though 74 vacancies out of 86 dereserved vacancies in the cadre of Civil Assistant Surgeons—Class I (Men) were reserved for persons possessing post-graduate qualifications or experience in various specialities only 60 candidates were actually selected for such appointments, and the remaining vacancies were filled up by the appointment of candidates without such qualifications. All the temporary Civil Assistant Surgeons—Class I, without post-graduate qualifications or experience in various specialities could not naturally secure selection for regular appointment as Civil Assistant Surgeons—Class I in the 26 vacancies available for them. The importance of filling a large number of vacant specialist posts with qualified men cannot be over-emphasised.

" (b) The answer is in the affirmative.

" (c) One hundred and twelve vacancies in the cadre of Civil Assistant Surgeons—Class I are now available for appointment by direct recruitment. Fifty-six of these vacancies have been specifically reserved for temporary Civil Assistant Surgeons—Class I who have had three years of service in the Madras Medical Service or in that service and in the military department. The temporary Civil Assistant Surgeons—Class I are eligible to compete also for the unreserved vacancies available for general recruitment.

"(*d*) There is no such proposal under the consideration of Government but the services of temporary men selected for regular appointment are regularized where necessary from a date prior to selection, if vacancies exist.

"(*e*) The answer is in the negative to the first half of the question. The second part is not intelligible."

Oil industry.

* 38 *Q.*—Sri R. SURYANARAYANA RAO: Will the Hon. the Minister for Industries be pleased to state—

(*a*) the names of concerns connected with oil industry which have applied for assistance since 1946 under the Madras State-Aid to Industries Act and the names of those concerns which have been granted assistance;

(*b*) what the nature and quantum of assistance given in each case are;

(*c*) whether the conditions governing assistance are the same in all cases;

(*d*) whether the Karnatak Vegetable Oils and Refineries, Limited, Hospet, applied for State-Aid more than once;

(*e*) whether the concern has been refused assistance and if so, what the grounds of refusal are;

(*f*) whether it is a fact that the assistance for clearance of prior debts is one of the objects of State-Aid under the State-Aid to Industries Act;

(*g*) whether the purchase of equipment and machinery required for the industry is also one of the accepted objects of State-Aid;

(*h*) whether it is a fact that the grounds mentioned in clauses (*f*) and (*g*) above are the main grounds on which assistance has been refused to the Hospet factory; and

(*i*) whether any representation has been received by the Government on the subject and if so, how it has been dealt with?

The Hon. Sri C. PERUMALSAMI REDDI:—"(*a*) & (*b*) A Statement[a] containing the information is placed on the table of the House.

"(*c*) The conditions governing the grant of assistance are those stipulated in the Madras State-Aid to Industries Act and the Rules framed thereunder and they are generally the same.

"(*d*) Yes, Sir. Twice.

"(*e*) Yes, Sir. The Board of Industries unanimously recommended the rejection of the applications and the applications were therefore rejected under section 8 (5) of the Madras State-Aid to Industries Act, 1922.

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[a] **Printed as Appendix I on pages 639–640 infra.**